## 109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. RES. 605

Recognizing the life of Preston Robert Tisch and his outstanding contributions to New York City, the New York Giants Football Club, the National Football League, and the United States.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

December 14, 2005

Mr. Fossella submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

## **RESOLUTION**

- Recognizing the life of Preston Robert Tisch and his outstanding contributions to New York City, the New York Giants Football Club, the National Football League, and the United States.
- Whereas Preston Robert "Bob" Tisch was born on April 29th, 1926, in the Bensonhurst neighborhood of Brooklyn to a middle class family;
- Whereas Bob Tisch attended Erasmus Hall High School in Brooklyn for 3 years and DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx for one year;
- Whereas Bob Tisch earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from the University of Michigan in 1948;

- Whereas in 1948 Bob Tisch joined a family hotel business venture, the Laurel-in-the-Pines in Lakewood, New Jersey, establishing the foundation for his success;
- Whereas from 1946 through 1959 Bob and Larry Tisch built a thriving hotel chain spanning New York, New Jersey, and Florida;
- Whereas in 1959 Bob and Larry Tisch acquired a controlling interest in Loew's Theatres, consisting of 102 movie theatres and a New York radio station, WMGM;
- Whereas the investment in Loew's Theatres formed the basis for the modern-day Loews Corporation, which was created in 1969;
- Whereas Bob and Larry Tisch built Loews Corporation into one of the largest diversified financial corporations in the United States;
- Whereas in 1986 Bob Tisch was appointed by the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service as Postmaster General under the administration of President Ronald Reagan;
- Whereas in 1991 Bob Tisch purchased a 50 percent share in the New York Giants Football Club;
- Whereas Bob Tisch helped create the Meals-on-Wheels program and served as its president for over 10 years, frequently delivering meals himself;
- Whereas Bob Tisch founded the Take the Field program, a program which during the 1990s raised over \$100,000,000 in public and private funds to rebuild 43 athletic fields in New York City for the use of hundreds of thousands of public school students;

- Whereas Bob Tisch gave countless millions of dollars to hospitals, charities, and universities in the spirit of improving the lives of Americans;
- Whereas on November 15, 2005, Bob Tisch died of a brain tumor at the age of 79; and
- Whereas the life of Bob Tisch serves as a model for self-made success and positive American philanthropy: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives, on the
  - 2 occasion of the death of Preston Robert Tisch—
  - 3 (1) expresses its deepest condolences to his wife
  - 4 of 57 years Joan and their 3 children; and
  - 5 (2) recognizes the outstanding contributions
- 6 Preston Robert Tisch made throughout his life to
- 7 New York City, the New York Giants Football Club,
- 8 the National Football League, and the United
- 9 States.

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